

# WAUKEGAN PILOT PROJECT

## SUMMARY UPDATE

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# PILOT PROJECT OVERVIEW

## TWO MAJOR COMPONENTS

### 1. GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION

- E UNIT
- E/R UNIT - PHASE I & PHASE II

### 2. GROUNDWATER TREATMENT

- PRETREATMENT
- BIOLOGICAL

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION STRATIGRAPHY

0-5 ft - FILL

5-30 ft - FINE SAND

AT 30 ft - 3 to 6 in. GRAVEL = on top of till unit

GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED ~ 4 ft

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION WELL SCREEN PLACEMENT

EW - 5 ft WELL SCREEN ON TILL

RW -5 ft WELL SCREEN ON TILL

WN -5 x 1ft WELL SCREEN IN BOTTOM  
HALF OF SATURATED THICKNESS  
TOP - A, B, C, D, E - BOTTOM

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION TEST CONFIGURATION

E UNIT

- 1 EW

- 1 WN

E/R UNIT	RW	EW	RW
- 3 EW	X	O	X
- 6 RW	X	O	X
- 2 WN	X	O	X

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION

## E UNIT

## E/R UNIT

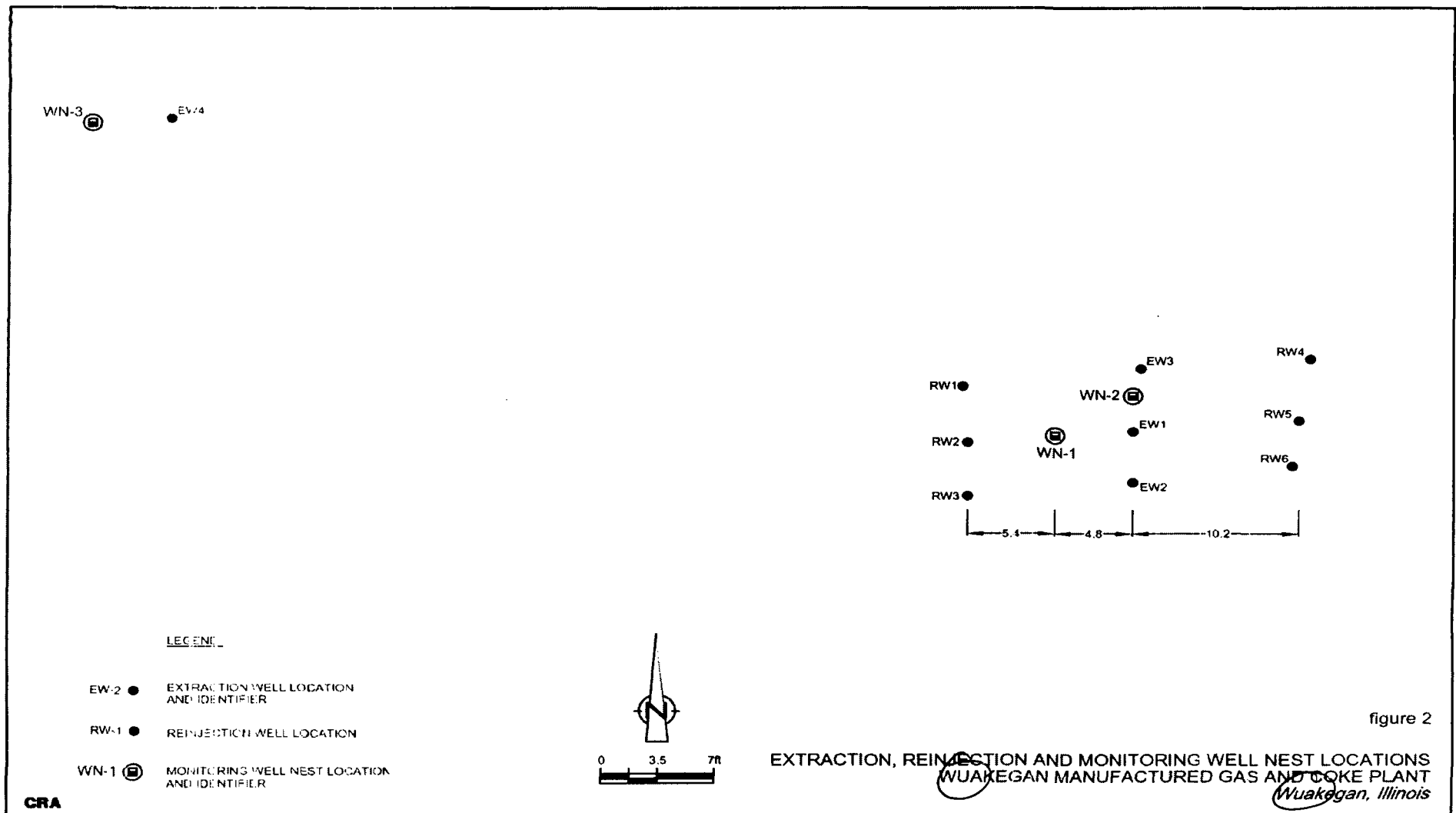


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# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION E UNIT OPERATION

NOMINAL RATE	ON	OFF
2.84 l/min	OCT 2	OCT 9
2.1 l/min	OCT 16	OCT 22
1.42 l/min	OCT 30	NOV 6
0.75 l/min	NOV 13	NOV 19

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION E UNIT OBSERVATIONS

- MAX DRAWDOWN 1.75 ft
- EW4 PARAMETER CONCENTRATIONS REDUCED BY ~ 75% DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF OPERATION AND REMAINED AT REDUCED CONCENTRATIONS FOR BALANCE OF TEST INCLUDING OFF PERIODS
- WN3 CONCENTRATIONS INITIALLY f (DEPTH)
- WN3 CONCENTRATIONS MORE VARIABLE THAN EW4, NO OBVIOUS RELATIONSHIP TO PUMPING



# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION E/R UNIT OPERATION

PHASE I - OCT 9 to OCT 22

EW - 3 WELLS-( 1.00, 1.02, 0.98 l/min)

RW - 6 WELLS- (0.56, 0.57, 0.55, 0.58, 0.55, 0.57 l/min)

PHASE II - OCT 24 to NOV 19

EW - 3 WELLS- (1.03, 1.02, 1.07 l/min)

RW - 6 WELLS- (0.21, 0.21, 0.2, 0.93, 0.93, 0.96 l/min)

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION E/R UNIT OBSERVATIONS

## PHASE I

- WATER TABLE ESSENTIALLY FLAT IN PILOT STUDY AREA
- BY END OF PHASE I ~ 90% REDUCTION IN CONCENTRATION AT EW1 ~ 75% REDUCTION AT EW2 AND EW3

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION E/R UNIT OBSERVATIONS

## PHASE II

- CONCENTRATION REDUCTION  
MAINTAINED IN PHASE II
- SOME RECOVERY OBSERVED IN WN2E  
DURING PHASE II AND POST TEST  
RECOVERY
- $[EW1] \ll [EW2] \text{ OR } [EW3]$  AT END OF TEST  
*(inner well)* *(outer wells)*

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION E/R UNIT OBSERVATIONS

## PHASE II

### BROMIDE

- BACKGROUND [Br] PRESENT *10 mg/l*
- [Br] FRONT CLEARLY DEFINED @ WN1E, WN1D AND EW1
- [Br] FLUCTUATES AT WN2E

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION CONCLUSION

E/R UNIT MORE EFFECTIVE THAN E UNIT

E/R UNIT EFFECTIVELY REDUCES  
PARAMETER CONCENTRATIONS

*Stay down longer  
than w/ Ext. only.*

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION NEXT STEPS

DETAILED HYDROGEOLOGIC MODELING  
REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT GROUNDWATER  
EXTRACTION SYSTEM DESIGN

ADDITIONAL CHARACTERIZATION  
REQUIRED TO DEFINE AREA FOR  
GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT

TWO COMPONENTS

PRETREATMENT

BIOLOGICAL

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT PRETREATMENT

ANDCO NOT AVAILABLE

*electrode-As  
ppt.*

FENTONS REAGENT  
HUMATES

RESULT

*As removal  
9/6/10 ppb → < 400 ppb.*

ARSENIC ND @ 0.4 mg/l  
AT NEUTRAL pH



# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT BIOLOGICAL

SINGLE STAGE REACTOR

TWO STAGE REACTOR

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT BIOLOGICAL SINGLE STAGE

OPERATION EXTENDED

HRT: 8 DAYS vs. 1 DAY

SRT: 30 DAYS vs. 15 DAYS

MLSS: 10,000 to 12,000 mg/l vs.

3,000 to 5,000 mg/l

NITRIFICATION ACHIEVED

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT BIOLOGICAL SINGLE STAGE

## RESULTS

PARAMETER	INFLUENT	EFFLUENT
PHENOLS	360	< 0.2
THIOCYANATE	370	< 20

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT BIOLOGICAL SINGLE STAGE NITRIFICATION

DAY	NH <sub>3</sub> -N	NO <sub>3</sub> -N
0	1660	0.5
12	523	212
28	1470	149

*nitritification step not well controlled  
in one reactor.*

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT BIOLOGICAL TWO STAGE NITRIFICATION

FED WITH REACTOR 1 EFFLUENT

DAY	NH3-N	NO3-N
0	1600	122
25	335	82

*> a lot of "bounce"  
in numbers  
btwn 0-25 days*

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# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT CONCLUSION

ARSENIC REMOVAL SUCCESSFUL

AMMONIA REMOVAL SUCCESSFUL

PHENOLICS REMOVAL SUCCESSFUL

THIOCYANATE REMOVAL SUCCESSFUL

# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT NEXT STEPS

ADDITIONAL TEST REQUIRED TO  
GENERATE DESIGN PARAMETERS

*= need more time for nitrification step.*

# GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION NEXT STEPS

DETAILED HYDROGEOLOGIC MODELING  
REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT GROUNDWATER  
EXTRACTION SYSTEM DESIGN

- additional modeling
- Nitritification
- addition gw sampling to define area.

ADDITIONAL CHARACTERIZATION  
REQUIRED TO DEFINE AREA FOR  
GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION